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Jack's wants to come to Elba

by Linda Hodge, Editor



Elba City Council members voted Monday evening, March 11, to support continued talks with representatives of the Jack's fast food restaurant chain to work towards bringing the restaurant to Elba.

During a work session meeting Monday afternoon with Jack's officials, it was revealed that talks between Jack's and the City of Elba had reached a point where both parties are looking to finalize a 'project development agreement' in order to move forward with constructing a Jack's restaurant in Elba. The Jack's company has reportedly has a piece of land 'under contract' along Alabama Highway 203 [adjacent to the Elba Gulf Travel Center] for purchase.

The project development agreement, if agreed to by both parties, would include a tax sharing proposal between Elba and Jack's for up to 10 years or \$500,000, whichever comes first. This tax sharing agreement would be on the city's 4% sales tax excluding the tax portion [.75 percent] designated for schools, which cannot be abated. The pro-

posed share amount is a 70-30 split on 3.25%.

Jack's officials said they currently have 251 stores, and all are corporately-owned with no franchises.

The representatives speaking with Elba leaders on Monday said Jack's is looking to make a \$2.5 million investment in Elba, expecting it to be a long-term investment for the Jack's company. They said Jack's has not closed an operational restaurant in over 22 years.

The representatives said Jack's had been watching Elba as a potential location for one of its restaurants for the past 5-6 years, but increased traffic counts on the bypass had recently made the city more attractive to justify investing now.

Jack's plans to open 16 new restaurants in 2024. If the company reaches a project development agreement

with Elba and it is approved by the city and by the Jack's corporate board, officials said construction could start late this fall with the new restaurant opening in Elba early 2025.

During the potential construction phase, the community could see Jack's bring 10-15 direct jobs and about 20 more indirect jobs to the area. Once the restaurant begins staffing, the community is looking at 40-50 jobs being created for the Jack's restaurant.

While no official agreement was ready Monday for the Elba City Council to consider, the city leaders wanted to show their support for the project and bringing Jack's to the citizens; therefore, they approved a motion to support moving forward with talks by authorizing the mayor to work with Jack's officials to get the project development agreement together and ready to be officially approved.

The motion to support the project was made by council member Jane Brunson with a second from council member A R Williams. All council members and the mayor voted in favor of moving forward with the project.



This Elba Police vehicle was involved last Thursday evening, March 7, in a two-vehicle wreck on Alabama Hwy 203 just after 7 p.m. The other vehicle involved was a pickup truck.

Elba Police car involved in wreck

A two-vehicle motor vehicle accident last Thursday evening, March 7, sent an Elba Police officer to the hospital while another local man was arrested for driving under the influence.

The accident happened just after 7 p.m. last Thursday at the intersection of Alabama Hwy. 203 and Taylor Mill Road (in front of the Dollar General store) in Elba.

Reports were that the Elba Police vehicle and the pickup truck that collided were both traveling east on Hwy. 203 when another vehicle allegedly pulled out in front of the police car from Taylor Mill Road. Witnesses said the officer attempted to turn around at the intersection to pursue the vehicle that pulled out in front of the police unit; however, the officer attempted the 'turn around' from the outside (right) lane of the Hwy. 203 roadway.

In attempting to turn around, the police unit was struck on the driver's side by the pickup truck that was traveling in the inside (left) lane.

Upon arrival on scene, officers discovered the driver of the pickup truck was operating his vehicle under the influence of alcohol.



Brian Slenker

Brian Charles Slenker, age 52, was arrested by Alabama State Troopers for DUI (alcohol) at the scene. He was booked later that evening in the Coffee County Jail where he remained as of press time this week. His bond was set at \$15,000.

The officer was transported from the scene of the accident to a local hospital for treatment. Earlier this week, Elba Interim Police Chief Shayne Arnett said the officer was doing well, mostly just sore from the accident.

The wreck was investigated by Troopers with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency. While Slenker was arrested on the DUI charge following the accident, the cause of the accident was charged to the officer for attempting to make a turn from an improper lane.

The Elba Police vehicle was a newly acquired car for the department. It still had a dealership tag on it at the time of the accident.

Governor acknowledges passing of former Congressman Terry Everett

Governor Kay Ivey on Tuesday, March 12, offered the following statement upon receiving word of the passing of former Congressman Terry Everett:

"I am saddened to share word of the passing of longtime Alabama Congressman Terry Everett. Congressman Everett passed away peacefully in his sleep this morning at his home in Rehobeth. Terry tirelessly served the people of southeast Alabama and his native Wiregrass with distinction for eight terms in Congress. During his time on Capitol Hill, he was one of the strongest voices for Alabama's military bases, active duty personnel, and veterans. He was also a stalwart advocate for Alabama farmers and small businesses. Alabama greatly benefitted from his leadership and his devotion to public service. My thoughts and prayers go out to Terry's family, friends and former staff. Accordingly, I am directing the flags at the Alabama Capitol Complex and the flags in AL-02 immediately be lowered until the day of his interment."

Congressman Everett was elected to the 103rd and seven succeeding Congresses and retired in 2008. Prior to his service in Congress, he was a journalist, newspaper owner and publisher, and small businessman. He was also a veteran of the United States Air Force and a staunch supporter of southeast Alabama's military and farming communities.

Southeast Alabama Community Band plans to deliver free concert Monday, March 18, in Elba

The Southeast Alabama Community Band will be back in Elba Monday, March 18, playing a concert at Elba High School beginning at 7 p.m.

The concert is free to

attend.

Conductor Ray Smith is excited to be playing in Elba once again. The concert is always well received, and the band loves to play in Elba.

Some of the program will include Walt Hines playing a George Gershwin medley on soprano sax. Hines is a tremendous woodwind player and is 87 years old.

Dr. Allen Clark, former Director of the United States Air Force Band, is going to conduct some Percy Grainger tunes such as Irish Tune from County

Derry and Sheppard Hey.

Phil Kelley, longtime voice of the Sound of the South and director of many memorable musicals during his tenure on the School of Music faculty at Troy State University, is going to sing Irish Eyes are Smiling and hopefully some other Irish songs just one day late for St. Patrick's Day.

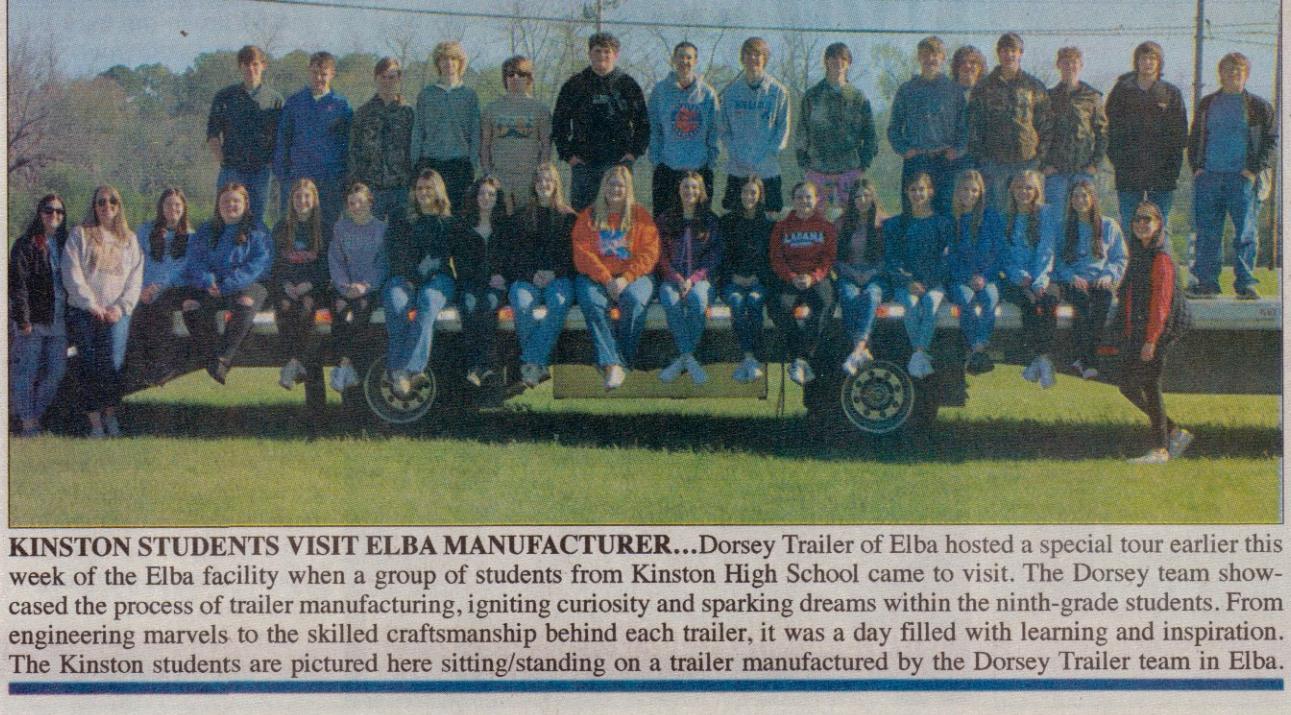
The musicians come from all over south Alabama. Many will be coming from Montgomery and Troy but has had members from Georgia and Florida as well.

All are invited to attend!

Area Happenings

The Elba Zoning Board will conduct a public hearing Thursday, March 14, at 8 a.m. at Elba City Hall. The hearing will be followed by a zoning board meeting.

The Coffee County Conservation District will hold its monthly board meeting Thursday, March 14, at the Coffee County Extension Office, 1055 E. McKinnon Street, New Brockton, beginning at 9 a.m. Meeting is limited on the number of people that can be in the room; therefore, if going to attend, call 334-894-5581 x3 ahead of time.



KINSTON STUDENTS VISIT ELBA MANUFACTURER...Dorsey Trailer of Elba hosted a special tour earlier this week of the Elba facility when a group of students from Kinston High School came to visit. The Dorsey team showcased the process of trailer manufacturing, igniting curiosity and sparking dreams within the ninth-grade students. From engineering marvels to the skilled craftsmanship behind each trailer, it was a day filled with learning and inspiration. The Kinston students are pictured here sitting/standing on a trailer manufactured by the Dorsey Trailer team in Elba.

EDITORIAL

Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Tuesday, March 5, 2024, through Monday, March 11, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center.

Tuesday, March 5 - Suspicious vehicle reported at 661 E Davis St (12:04 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 131 Tiger Dr (12:08 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 1103 Caroline St (6:15 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 420 Plant Ave (7:42 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1717 Martin Luther King Dr - w/impound (10:40 a.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 783 West St (11:50 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on Davis St (1:44 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1570 N Claxton Ave (6:22 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1567 Gibson St - w/ arrest (10:03 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, one

verbal warning, and one advice given.

Wednesday, March 6 - Animal complaint reported at 318 Smith Ave - w/impound (7:58 a.m.); Reckless driver reported at 650 N Claxton Ave - w/citation issued (2:15 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 608 Kendrick St (3:37 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Larkin Rd (6:27 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 919 Flournoy Dr (8:58 p.m.). Ten traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, three citations, and four verbal warnings.

Thursday, March 7 - Harassment reported to Elba Police (1:21 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 100 Beaver Dam St (6:57 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at the intersection in front of Dollar General at 804 Hwy 203 (7:04 p.m.). Nine traffic stops resulted in four verbal warnings, two written warnings, and one citation.

Friday, March 8 -

Missing person reported at 2805 Taylor Mill Rd (2:03 p.m.). No traffic stops on this date.

Saturday, March 9 - Suspicious vehicle reported at 131 Tiger Dr (12:10 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 221 E Davis St (9:06 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at Hwy 87 S and East Davis St (1:59 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 664 Reynolds Ave (3:37 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at 835 Troy Hwy (6:39 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 595 W Collier St (6:55 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Reese Ave - w/ arrest (10:53 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in one written warning, and one citation.

Sunday, March 10 - Report of shots fired on Morrow Ave (4:22 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 626 Mullins Circle (6:11 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one written warning, and one verbal warning.

Monday, March 11 - Suspicious person reported on Virgil Coleman Dr (2:25 a.m.); Harassment reported at 913 Simmons St (1:13 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 87 S (4:33 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1400 Jones St (7:38 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Reese Ave (11:11 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Reese Ave (11:34 p.m.). Six traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, two citations, and one verbal warning.



COFFEE COUNTY LANDOWNERS TOUR...On Friday, March 8, a forestry landowner's tour was held at the property of JE Pittman Pea River Farm. The tour was sponsored by the Coffee County Forestry Advisory Committee in conjunction with the Alabama Forestry Commission, and the Coffee County Soil and Water Conservation District. The JE Pittman Pea River Farm is located on County Road 410, Elba and is primarily used for recreation and hunting. The Pittman property has reintroduced wiregrass and other native plants to the area to encourage natural plant species and wildlife habitat. The farm consists of 320 acres consisting of managed loblolly and longleaf pines. During the tour, several interesting subjects were discussed including Native Habitat Restoration, Understory Release/Mid Rotation Management, Best Management Practices and Wildlife Management. Approximately 60 landowners attended. After the tour, everyone enjoyed lunch and door prizes.

RWCC monthly meeting set for March 20th

The Republican Women of Coffee County (RWCC) will meet Wednesday, March 20, at 11 a.m., at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway.

Guest speaker will be Barbara Moore. She will be talking about the por-

ographic books that have been found in public and school libraries across the state, and how she has overcome obstacles to get them removed in the Dothan area.

Moore is a retired teacher and a political activist on behalf of family values. She is the Chaplain for the Houston County Republican Women.

Also, during the meeting, Coffee County Probate Judge Jodee Thompson will

be presenting a primary election recap.

Social time begins at 11 am; an optional \$13 buffet begins at 11:30; and the program begins at approximately 12 noon. Everyone is invited, but reservations are required. RSVP no later than March 17 to rwcreservations@gmail.com.

Please indicate if planning to eat. Credit cards are accepted, but a \$1 processing fee will be charged.

NOTICE:
The Elba Clipper office will be closed Friday, March 29, for Good Friday.

LETTERS TO THE

EDITOR

To the Members of the Elba High School Class of 1966:

On behalf of the board officers and members of the Elba High School Alumni Association, I extend a heartfelt thank you to all for your generous donation of \$500 made this week to our association.

The Elba High School Alumni Association was formed to be an asset/resource for Elba City Schools. Each year, the association provides \$3,000 in scholarship monies to graduating seniors [a \$1,500 scholarship for a male graduate and a \$1,500 scholar-

ship for a female graduate]. To this date, over \$24,000 has been provided in scholarship monies, and we plan to add to that total in May.

On top of that, the association's board works closely with the schools, and strives to assist with needs that may arise throughout each school year. We are only able to accomplish these things through support of alumni such as your class members. We rely on membership dues, an annual golf tournament fundraiser, and private donation, like yours, to allow us to help Elba City Schools.

Your donation is greatly appreciated by all. As always...It's Great to be an Elba Tiger!!

Sincerely,
Linda Hodge, president
Elba High School Alumni
Association

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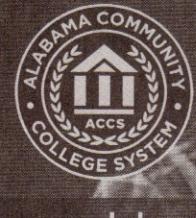
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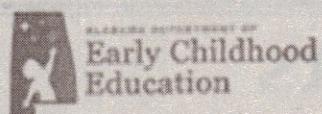


When Lou Lou saw the result created by the suspenders, she chuckled! But, she completely lost it when he came in with this Alabama bucket hat on accompanying his suspenders! It was definitely a sight to see!

Lou Lou snapped a photo and sent it to Sister...her reaction was as expected, which leads Lou Lou to wonder if Sister will ever be seen in public again with Papa! Only time will tell!!

It's going to be hilarious around the Yonder Gang's house for a while...

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling!



FIRST CLASS PRE-K PRE-REGISTRATION

Alabama's Voluntary Pre-K Program

- Online pre-registration for the upcoming school year begins January 15th. For assistance accessing the online application, contact a local First Class Pre-K program.
- Pre-Registration is open to all children four years of age on 9/1/24* who are residents of Alabama. Children who are eligible to attend kindergarten are not eligible for pre-k.
- A copy of the child's birth certificate must be provided. It may be uploaded into the online pre-registration site or submitted directly to the local First Class Pre-K program.
- Proof of residence in Alabama must be provided. It may be uploaded into the online pre-registration site or submitted directly to the local First Class Pre-K program.
- Public school system pre-k programs may have zoning requirements that determine eligibility for attending a program at a particular school. Contact the school for attendance zone information.
- There is no registration fee for First Class Pre-K programs.
- Upon enrollment, a child's immunization record must be provided to the school or program.
- No child will be denied participation on basis of income, sex, race, color, national origin, or disability.

Pre-Registration Dates: January 15 – March 11

To pre-register, go online to:

<https://prek.alaceed.alabama.gov>



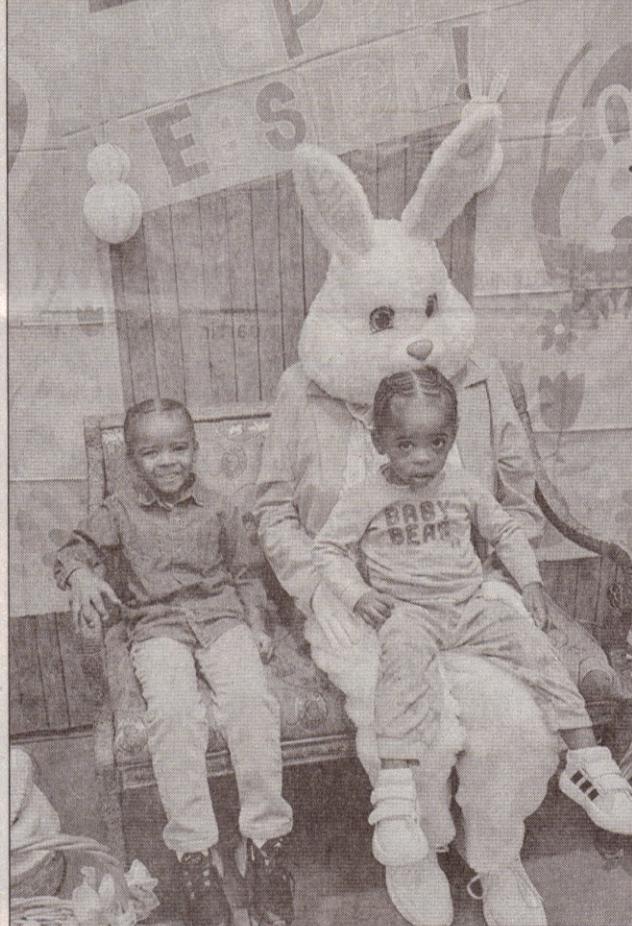
Acceptance into a First Class Pre-K program is strictly through random selection drawing. Presence at drawing is not required. Email notices of acceptance status will be sent in mid-April.

Random Selection Drawing Details

Date: 03-22-24

Time: 9:30 AM

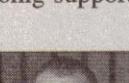
Location: EES Conference Room



The Elba Public Library became a hub of excitement Saturday, March 2, as the Easter Bunny paid a special visit, delighting patrons of all ages. From an egg hunt to crafts and snacks, the event offered something for everyone, fostering an atmosphere of excitement. Patrons were given the opportunity to interact with the beloved Easter Bunny, creating cherished memories as they posed for photos and shared in the festive spirit. Ed Kelley, the Easter Bunny's friend, who does these events on behalf of the Shriners Children's Hospital added a meaningful touch to the festivities. The Library Staff would like to thank everyone who brought their little ones and for the ongoing support of our library.

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What is a Power of Attorney

Choosing to give power of attorney (POA) to someone else is a very personal choice. It is certainly something that every family should consider and think about carefully.

What is a POA? A POA is a document to assign someone (known as an agent) to take care of decisions you may not be able to make at some point due to inability for some reason (like you are out of town), injury or illness. There are four types of POAs.

1) Limited – A limited power of attorney gives someone the ability to act in your stead for limited purposes only. This might be something like signing the deed to a property if you are out of town. A limited POA usually ends at a specific time noted in the document.

2) General – A general power of attorney is more comprehensive. It gives your agent any powers or rights you have yourself. It allows someone to pay your bills or sign documents for you. You don't have to be incapacitated to have a general POA. This type of POA ends upon death, if you become incapacitated, or if you rescind it.

3) Durable – A durable power of attorney can be general or limited. It remains in effect even after you become incapacitated. If you do not have a durable POA in effect and you do become incapacitated, no one else can represent you unless a court appoints them. A durable POA stays in effect until death. It can be rescinded if you are not incapacitated.

4) Springing – A springing power of attorney is like a durable POA. However, it only goes into effect if you are incapacitated. The standards for determining incapacity should be clearly laid out in the POA.

A durable or springing POA is what is meant when discussing having a medical power of attorney (MPOA). However, an MPOA does not replace the regular POA – they are separate legal documents that have different purposes.

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OBITUARIES

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DIANA REYNOLDS ALLEN

Mrs. Diana Reynolds Allen, age 74, a resident of Chancellor, Ala., died Saturday, March 9, 2024, at Medical Center Enterprise, Enterprise, Ala.

Mrs. McCarty was preceded in death by her parents, Archie & Katie Lee Fuller; and by siblings: Roy Fuller, Harvel Fuller, Lloyd Fuller, Mike Fuller, A.D. Fuller, Madeline Dismukes, Peggy Brunson, Nell Danford, and Anne Phelps. Survivors include her husband: Lloyd Clark Allen, Chancellor; daughter: Shiloh (Walter) Davis, Wicksburg, Ala.; son: Tony (Robby Foss) Allen, Aiea, Hawaii; grandsons: Matthew Bradley, Elba, Ala., Cody Bradley, San Clemente, Calif.; granddaughters: Hannah-Brooke Bradley, Wicksburg, Samantha Allen, Aiea, Mackenzie Allen, Panama City, Fla.; great-granddaughter and great-grandson: Everleigh Bradley, and Kohen Bradley, both of Elba; her brothers: Dolan Reynolds, Bellwood, Ala., Steve Reynolds, Clayhatchee, Ala., Alan Reynolds, Esto, Fla., and her sister: Nyoka Grantham, Fayetteville, N.C.

Memorial services will be held at a later date. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba is serving the Allen family. Survivors include her husband: Lloyd Clark Allen, Chancellor; daughter: Shiloh (Walter) Davis, Wicksburg, Ala.; son: Tony (Robby Foss) Allen, Aiea, Hawaii; grandsons: Matthew Bradley, Elba, Ala., Cody Bradley, San Clemente, Calif.; granddaughters: Hannah-Brooke Bradley, Wicksburg, Samantha Allen, Aiea, Mackenzie Allen, Panama City, Fla.; great-granddaughter and great-grandson: Everleigh Bradley, and Kohen Bradley, both of Elba; her brothers: Dolan Reynolds, Bellwood, Ala., Steve Reynolds, Clayhatchee, Ala., Alan Reynolds, Esto, Fla., and her sister: Nyoka Grantham, Fayetteville, N.C.

JIMMY WHITE

Mr. Jimmy White, age 74, of Jack, Ala., died early Tuesday, March 12, 2024, at Baptist Medical Center South in Montgomery, Alabama. Funeral arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba.

THERESA FULLER McCARTY

Mrs. Therese Fuller McCarty, age 78, of Dothan, Ala., died Saturday, March 9, 2024, at her residence.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 11, 2024 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Rev. Gary Daniel officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery of Elba under the direction of

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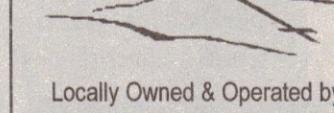
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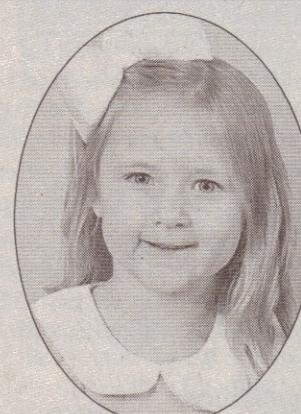
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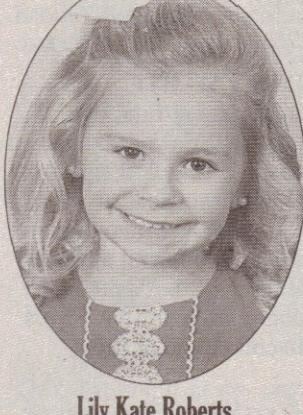
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Gabrielle Anne Moseley
Petite Miss contestant



Adalynn Skye Cobble
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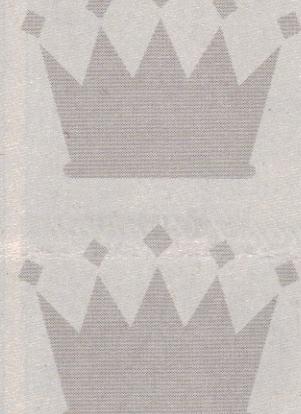
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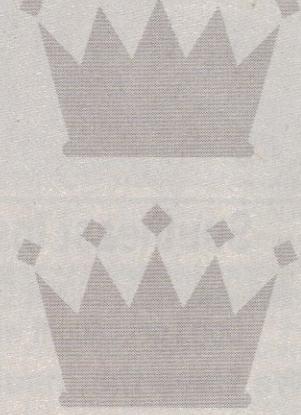
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Teen Miss contestant



Emma Lou Faircloth
Teen Miss contestant



Peyton Elizabeth Parrish
Miss contestant



Sara Grayce Weeks
Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants
Good Luck, Eddie!



Smile Big and
Let Your Light Shine!
Love,
Mama & Daddy
Everleigh Claire Sasser, Little Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants
We Love You, B!
Smile Big &
Have Fun!!
Love,
Mom, Dad & Colie



Sophie Prescott, Junior Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants

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**Sparkle and
Shine with the
Love of Jesus,
Sweets!**



Love, Daddy and Mommy
Everly McLendon, Future Little Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants

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**Good Luck,
Sweet Girl!
You've Got This!**



Love,
Mimi and Papa
Sophie Prescott, Junior Miss contestant

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**"Good Luck"
Bella Boutwell!
Smile Big!!**



From, Cara, Ashley,
Felisa and Sally
Bella Boutwell, Petite Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants

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**Good Luck,
Emma Lou!
Smile Big!!**



Love, Your Family
Emma Lou Faircloth, Teen Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants

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Good Luck to all Miss Zion Chapel Pageant Contestants!

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants
**Smile Big
& Have
Fun!**

Caroline Thomas,
FUTURE LITTLE MISS
CONTESTANT



**We Love You!
Mommy, Daddy, Branch,
JoJo, Nano & PawPaw**

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants

CHURCH AND AREA NEWS

Revival set for March 17-19 at Alberton Baptist Church

Alberton Baptist Church, located at 3633 Hwy. 134, Kinston, Ala., will conduct Revival Services beginning Sunday evening, March 17, and continuing through Tuesday evening, March 19.

Service times for the revival are 6 p.m. Sunday night and 6:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday nights. Rev. Brad Boykin will speak Sunday night, Rev. Shaun Moore will speak Monday night, and Rev. Cliff Quincy will speak Tuesday night.



2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants



**Good Luck,
to our Girl!**

Smile Big...

Love,

MawMaw & Pops

Sophie Prescott, Junior Miss contestant

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**Good Luck
my
Sweet Girl!**

Love, Nana

Bella Boutwell, Petite Miss contestant

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**Good Luck,
Tori!**

We Love You!

Momma, Jody & Josh

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants



**Good Luck, to
our Emmalyn!**

We Love You,

Mama, Daddy & Lane

Emmalyn Hall, Future Little Miss contestant

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**Good Luck and
Smile Big!**

We Love You,

Lilli and Pop

Elana James Sikes, Future Little Miss contestant

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**Good Luck,
Caroline!**

We Love You!

MawMaw & Uncle Kenny

Caroline Thomas, Future Little Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants



**Good Luck,
Sophie!**

Smile Big!!

We Love You,

Mama, Daddy & Finn

Sophie Prescott, Junior Miss contestant

2024 Miss Zion Chapel Pageants



**"Good Luck"
to
Bella Boutwell!**

From, Bella Bane

Bella Boutwell, Petite Miss contestant

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DONATION MADE TO ELBA HIGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION... The Elba High School Class of 1966 held a reunion Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Elba Masonic Lodge, and the class members chose to make a donation of \$500 to the Elba High School Alumni Association in memory of 16 deceased classmates. Earlier this week, Pam Baker (right), treasurer for the Alumni Association, accepted the donation from class members. Pictured handing the check to Baker is class member Jackey Tindol.

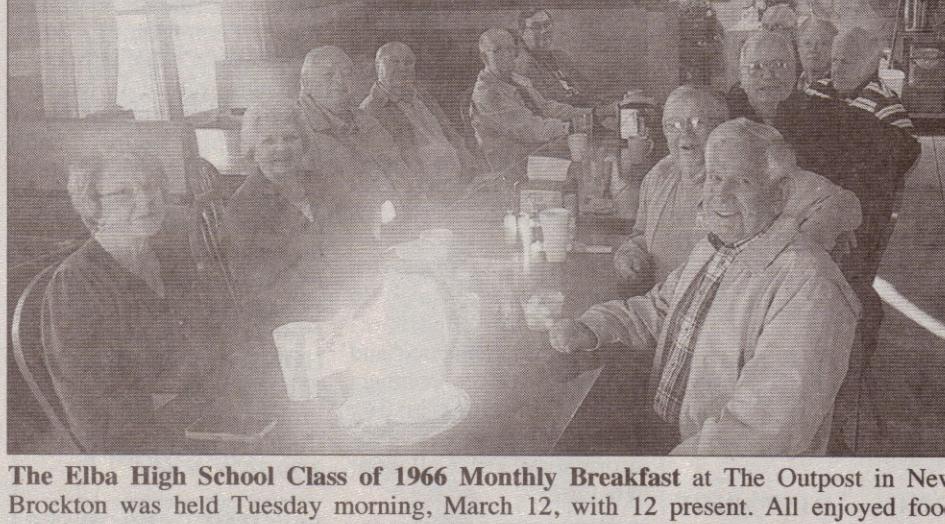
Cemetery Trust Fund meeting set for Saturday, Mar. 16, at Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church

Pleasant Ridge Primitive Baptist Church announces plans for its annual Church Cemetery Trust Fund meeting on Saturday, March 16, at 10 a.m. The meeting will be at the church, located on County Road 228, near Victoria.

All concerned people/families are urged to attend this meeting.



The Enterprise Luncheon Pilot Club sponsors an elementary school safety program that provides students with information to help prevent brain injuries. They discuss wearing helmets on bikes, safety on riding the school bus, calling 911, playground safety, and other appropriate rules. Using hand puppets, this program was presented to over 650 second graders in Enterprise. With the help of a grant from All In Credit Union club members were able to provide educational coloring books to all the students. Shown in the photo from left are Caroline Gebhart with Martin the Monkey, Debbie Shelton with the Wise Old Owl, Debbie Godfrey with Gerald the Giraffe, and Fran Walters with Bob the Beagle and Zach the Zebra.



The Elba High School Class of 1966 Monthly Breakfast at The Outpost in New Brockton was held Tuesday morning, March 12, with 12 present. All enjoyed food and fellowship and missed the ones that couldn't make it this month. Those present included Lenore Tanner, Pam Baker, Jackey Tindol, David Blackmon, Neal Hutto, Bobby Edmondson, Eddie Thompson, Terry Calhoun, Jerome Blackmon, Harry Young, Kenneth Baker, and John Lawless.

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Woodland Grove Baptist Church planning March revival services

Woodland Grove Baptist Church will be at 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday nights, March 18 & 19.

Everyone is invited to attend.

First Baptist Church Elba to host Dr. Ben Alpert this Sunday

First Baptist Church Elba will host Dr. Ben Alpert with Chosen People Ministries this Sunday, March 17, at 10 a.m. as he shares on "Messiah in the Passover".

Messiah in the Passover is for anyone who wants to explore traditions of the Passover and deepen their understanding of the links

All are invited to come hear Dr. Alpert's presentation.

Easter Cantata planned for March 29th at Alberton Baptist Church

Alberton Baptist Church, located at 3633 Hwy. 134, Kinston, Ala., will present its Easter Cantata "I Know My Redeemer Lives" on Friday, March 29, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

All are invited to attend.

ROUND AND ABOUT w/ ERIA'S DAUGHTER

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Scripture: Psalm 111:1-10

Thinking of you!

Praying for you.

Nelson Bradley, Melvin Stallworth, Families

of the late: John Henry Carpenter, Betty Moore,

Angie Dawson, Dallas Luckett, Wendy Wood,

Hill/Mitchell/kyles families

held captive were released

after the war, but it took decades for America to admit the injustice. In 1988 President Reagan signed a reparations act that acknowledged that "race, prejudice, war hysteria, and a failure of political leadership" all

played a role in what had been done. Jacob's family had gone willingly to Egypt to escape a famine, but 400 years later they had become the victims of racial prejudice.

The Egyptians feared that so many Israelites were a threat, so they enslaved the Hebrews to keep them under control (Exodus 1).

These two episodes of history separated by millennia witness to the evil results of ungodly fear, but GOD is watching. C.R.B.

March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Kenya Adkins 3/13

Michael A Smith 3/14

Denise Hardwick 3/15

Marion and Joyce Jones 3/15

Freddie Robinson 3/16

Mark Whiffield 3/16

Paula Elliard 3/16

Jeraldene Smith 3/16

Freda Hooks 3/18

Jimmy and Samella Edwards 3/18

Alyssa Kyles 3/21

What God Still Sees

A wave of fear cascaded across America on December 7, 1941 two months after the attack on Pearl Harbor,

the Hebrews to keep them under control (Exodus 1).

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Question/Answer Section

Q/A for the week of 3/14/2024

True or False

Q: The younger men counseled Rehoboam to be a servant to the people whom he would rule.

A: False [1 Kings 12:10, 11]

Q: Amos condemned the sins of Judah, but he said nothing about Israel's sins.

A: False [Amos 2:6]

Q: Six of Jesse's sons passed before Samuel before David was summoned.

A: False [1 Samuel 16:10]

Questions for the week of 3/21/2024

True or False

Q: John told the Lameman, "Silver and gold have I none".

Q: Philips ministry in Samaria included doing miracles.

Q: Paul and Barnabas shook the dust off their feet when they left Antioch of Pisidia.

Today is good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue

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Letters Testamentary and under the Last Will and Testament of said deceased having been granted to KERRY HARDY on the 21st day of February, 2024, by the Honorable Judge Jodee Thompson of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama; notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson Judge of Probate Coffee County, Alabama 2/29,3/7&14-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARTHA JEAN DONALDSON, DECEASED CASE NO.: PR-2024-034

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of MARTHA JANE DONALDSON, deceased, having been granted to the 13th day of February, 2024, by the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, to Charles H. Ellzey, Esq. to serve as Administrator of the Estate of Louis Kenneth Haluska, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims in or against the Estate of Louis Kenneth Haluska that they shall and will be required to present any and all claims against said Estate to the Clerk of the Court for probate and registration as is required within the time allowed by law, or said claims will be barred.

/s/ Charles H. Ellzey

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/s/ M. Bruce Donaldson

M.BRUCEDONALDSON

Personal Representative of said Estate

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: The Estate of RANDELL ALFRED HENDERSON, Deceased. Case No.: PC-2023-091

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted the 8th day of February, 2024, to Jeanette H. Muth and Glen Buren Henderson as Co-Executrix and Co-Executor of the Estate of Randell Alfred Henderson, deceased, who departed this life on the 21st day of October, 2023, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Jeanette Muth

Jeanette H. Muth, Co-Executrix of the Estate of Randell Alfred Henderson, Deceased

/s/ Glen Buren Henderson

Glen Buren Henderson, Co-Executor of the Estate of Randell Alfred Henderson, Deceased

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DONALD GRAHAM, Deceased. Case No.: PC-2024-009

NOTICE

Letters of Testamentary on the estate of said deceased, DONALD GRAHAM, having been granted to ANGELA MORROW on the 22nd day of February, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 22nd day of February, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

HON. JODEE R. THOMPSON

Probate Judge

Coffee County, Alabama

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF MAXINE E. BOYD, Deceased. Case No.: PC-2024-005

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters of Administration with the will of said deceased annexed having been granted to the undersigned on the 20th day of February, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 20th day of February, 2024.

/s/ JANE LAMBERT

Personal Representative

/s/ MATT BRUNSON

Attorney for the Estate

2/29,3/7&14-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF PHILLIP BOLAND FOLEY, Deceased. Case No.: PC-2024-004

NOTICE OF GRANTING OF LETTERS OF

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF PHILLIP BOLAND FOLEY, Deceased. Case No.: PC-2024-004

NOTICE OF GRANTING OF LETTERS OF

ADMINISTRATION

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Diann E. Galimore, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Phillip Boland Foley, deceased, on the 20th day of February, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Rowe Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Diann E. Galimore

Diann E. Galimore

Personal Representative of the Estate of Phillip Boland Foley, deceased

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ROBERT TRENT THOMPSON, Deceased. Case No.: PR-2024-023

NOTICE

Letters of Testamentary on the estate of said deceased, ROBERT TRENT THOMPSON, having been granted to ERIS BRYAN PAUL on the 26th day of February, 2024, by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Probate Judge of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

DONE this the 26th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

HON. JODEE R. THOMPSON

Probate Judge

Coffee County, Alabama

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA Enterprise Division

In Re: The Matter of: TEDDY GLENN HOWELL, Deceased. Case No.: PR-2024-016

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION TO PROBATE WILL

To: April Foran and Kristina Howell

You will please take notice that on the January 26, 2024, a certain paper in writing, purported to be the Last Will and Testament of Teddy Glenn Howell, deceased, was filed in my office for Probate by Joshua Alan Davis and that the 27th day of MARCH, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. was appointed a day for the hearing of same at the Coffee County Courthouse, Enterprise Division, Enterprise, Alabama, at which time you can appear and contest same, if you see proper.

Done and dated this the 23rd day of February, 2024.

/s/ Jodee R. Thompson

JODEE R. THOMPSON

Judge of Probate

3/7,14&21-pd.

COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

NOTICE is hereby given that a bill substantially as follows will be introduced in the 2024 Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama and application for its passage and enactment shall be made:

Synopsis: This bill would levy an additional \$8 fee on the registration, transfer or renewal of any motor vehicle in Coffee County, provide for the collection of the fee and the distribution of the proceeds from the fee. Three dollars of the fee would go to the District Attorney for law enforcement purposes and the prosecution of crime in Coffee County. Five dollars of the fee would be deposited into the general fund to be used for any law enforcement purpose of the sheriff's department.

Copies of the contract documents and specifications may be inspected and/or obtained at the following locations:

Alabama Department of Transportation

Southeast Region - Troy Area

Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Pike Counties

Sealed bids will be received by the Alabama Department of Transportation until 10:00 am on Thursday, April 11, 2024, and at that time publicly opened for a retainer contract for debris removal, reduction, and disposal following a declared disaster, in the Southeast Region, Troy Area. The bid opening will take place at the Alabama Department of Transportation, Southeast Region, Troy Area office, Conference Room.

Qualified General Contractors holding a current Alabama State license are invited to bid. This contract is

for the purpose of retaining a qualified General Contractor whose services would be employed in the event of a hurricane or other declared disaster.

Copies of the contract documents and specifications may be inspected and/or obtained at the following locations:

Alabama Department of Transportation

Southeast Region - Troy Area

299 Elba Hwy

Troy, AL 36079

Phone: (334) 670-2420

Digital copies can be found under the "Special Notice to Contractors" section at <https://alletting.dot.state.al.us/>

Sealed bids may be mailed or delivered directly to the Owner prior to the bid opening. Such sealed bids must be clearly and legibly marked "Debris Removal, Reduction, and Disposal

Following a Declared Disaster - Troy Area" on the outside of the envelope.

The most qualified, responsive, responsible, and highest ranked bid will be accepted with key consideration based upon the benefit to the public; however, the Alabama Department of Transportation reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any irregularity in the bids received, and to accept or reject any items of the bid for the benefit of the public.

No conditional bids will be accepted.

No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days after the scheduled closing date and time for the receipt of bids.

John Cooper

Transportation Director

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ROBERT TRENT THOMPSON, Deceased. Case No.: PR-2024-023

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

An Online Sale will be held at www.storagegettreasures.com for A-Less Storage Enterprise, Alabama on or after 12:30 PM Thursday March 21st 2024. Personal Property of the following units will be sold for cash to satisfy owner's lien for due in accordance with AL Code § 8-15-46

Five dollars (\$5.00) shall be deposited in the county general fund and used for any law enforcement purpose of the sheriff's department.

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of the third month following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Probate Judge

Coffee County, Alabama

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The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

My first born daughter Melissa celebrated another birthday last week, and while she looked a little embarrassed, I enjoyed watching her players sing 'Happy Birthday' to her after softball practice and give her genuine hugs to help celebrate the special day. Melissa has devoted much of her adult life to teaching and coaching students at Elba High, and I think many of the players truly appreciate her devotion and love for them all. Happy Birthday, Melissa!

For what it is worth....

*** **I told you so!** The Elba Tigers finally put together seven solid innings and broke into the win column with an exciting 7-6 win over cross-county rival Zion Chapel. Elba jumped ahead early and could have easily thrown in the towel and just accepted another loss after Zion Chapel scored three runs in the top of the seventh and had the bases loaded with no outs. However, the Tigers met the challenge and after a disappointing start to the season broke through and should now be ready to get on a roll. I know one win certainly doesn't make a season a success, but the first win is always the hardest to get, and now that Elba has won #1 look for more to follow. Remember, I told you so.

*** **The Elba Lady Tigers continued** their marathon practice season last week after having even more games rained out. The Elba girls have been working hard for over a month only to have all their scheduled games cancelled due to rain or postponed due to the success of the basketball team, and with spring break just over a week away it looks like they could enter the planned break with only three games under their belts. Oh well, when the season finally gets going the players should be well rested and ready to go.

*** **The Elba Tigers golf team** is off to another successful season and in recent matches have been near the top of the standings after each and every match. Elba has one of the state's top young golfers in Jay Wilson to lead the Tigers, and while the entire team would probably be on the junior varsity squad at most other schools, they are improving daily and there is no doubt that before long they will be ready to make noise in post-season tournaments and battle for another state title.

*** **The high school baseball and softball seasons** are in full swing for area teams and as the seasons progress it has become more and more obvious that the area teams are all headed for successful campaigns. On the baseball field, New Brockton has proven it can beat anybody on its schedule on any given day when it plays its best, while Zion Chapel feels the same way with a recent win over New Brockton to prove its point, Brantley appears to be in a slow building mode and is confident better days are ahead, and Kinston is still looking for a win, but showing lots of improvement and is determined to make some noise when area games begin. On the softball field, Zion Chapel remained undefeated last week with a big win over 2A power G.W. Long and appears to be for real, while Brantley dropped a couple of games to bigger schools as it plays stiff competition in its quest to defend its state title, Kinston more than held its own against a couple of bigger schools at a tournament in Dothan, and New Brockton is working hard to get everyone in the right place as it looks to add wins to its side of the ledger. This part of the state has become a hot bed for successful high school sports teams, and if the weatherman will come up with a better forecast we can all get outside, enjoy the weather and cheer for our favorite teams.

*** **In closing....** Former Alabama football coach Nick Saban finally came out last week and admitted in an interview that the direction college football is headed had a lot to do with his sudden decision to hang it up. He stated that after the playoff loss to Michigan he had players throw their helmets and act unlike the standard he thought he had created at Bama, and when he sat down with the returning players after a couple of days to talk about their future with the Tide many of the players just wanted to find out if they were going to start, or needed to enter the transfer portal, while others wanted to know how much money they would make in the NIL. It was obvious that for many players it was no longer about the team but about themselves, and that was not what Saban wanted to hear after a long season of hard work. There is absolutely no doubt that major college football is now just a business for the colleges and the players, and it wouldn't surprise me if even more veteran coaches just stepped aside, slowed down a little and enjoyed life away from the worries.

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Elba Tigers bite Rebels 7-6

The Elba Tigers put an end to their early-season victory drought last Thursday night with an exciting 7-6 home field win over the Zion Chapel Rebels.

Zion Chapel wasted a base hit in the top of the first by Brady Flowers, while the Tigers got on the scoreboard and went ahead 1-0 when Ty Sieving delivered a two-out single and circled the bases on two Rebel errors.

Elba stranded two runners on base in the bottom of the second after a base hit by Kaleb Mitchell and a walk to Jaden Baker, and then watched as Zion Chapel pulled even at 1-1 in the third on an RBI single by Brodie Stinson.

The Tigers managed only two hits in their half of the inning, but plated five runs to grab a big 6-1 lead. Ty Sieving drew a walk to open the inning, moved to second when Brady Johnson was hit by a pitch and reached third on a single by Kaleb Mitchell as Elba loaded the bases with no outs. Sieving and Johnson both raced home on a Rebel error, while Easton McKelvy reached a bunt single and Mitchell and Collin Arnold both scored on another Rebel error, and McKelvy later scored on a wild pitch to put the Tigers up 6-1.

Zion Chapel plated two runs in the fourth thanks to two walks and a hit batter to close to within 6-3, but then left the bases loaded in the fifth to stall the Rebel rally. Elba saw Brady Johnson

left on base in the fifth after a leadoff double and stranded two runners in the sixth as the Tigers remained on top 6-3.

Zion Chapel's Brodie Stinson and Brady Flowers were both hit by a pitch in the top of the seventh, and while Stinson scored on an RBI single by Wes Braisted, Flowers and Braisted both scored on a two-run single by Austin Jordan to pull within 7-6 with no outs. Elba relief pitcher Jay Wilson retired the next three Rebels on two strikeouts and a pop up to the infield; however, as the Tigers escaped the seventh inning Rebel rally to claim the exciting 7-6 win.

Kaleb Mitchell had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead Elba, while Ty Sieving and Brady Johnson both added 1 hit and scored 2 runs, and Easton McKelvy added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Powell Bane was the winning pitcher as he tossed four and one-third innings and allowed one earned run on three hits and three walks, while Jay Wilson picked up the save.

Wes Braisted had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 RBI to lead Zion Chapel, while Austin Jordan added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 RBI's; Brodie Stinson added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 RBI; and, Brady Flowers added 1 hit and scored 1 run.

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Elba golfers win tri-match over Opp and Brantley

The Elba Tigers hosted a tri-match last week with Opp and Brantley and defended their home course with an impressive first place finish.

Elba, led by Jay Wilson's four-under par 68, fired a 306 to win the match, while Opp finished second with a 308 and was led by Will Boyd with a 75, and Brantley placed third with a 345 and was led by Cooper Layton with a 78. Samson's Coy Ingram competed as an individual and fired a two-under par 70.

Other scores for Elba

golfers included Trace Grantham 75, Alex Wisecup 80, Kade Harrison 83 and Powell Bane 83.

The Elba Tiger JV hosted Enterprise and saw the 7A Wildcats fire a 327 to win the dual match. Parker Gibbs and Lucas Potter both fired an 80 to lead Enterprise. Elba shot a 434 team total and was led by Levi Martin 96, Andrew Wisecup 108, Cole Shehee 113, Dylan Holley 117 and Cole Astemborski 133. Elba's Payton Byrd competed as an individual and shot a 109.

SCHEDULES

Thursday, March 14

(BASEBALL)

Florala at Elba V DH

Kinston at Pleasant Home

V DH

Pike Lib at Zion Chapel

JV-V

Ariton at New Brockton v

(SOFTBALL)

Elba at Pleasant Home V

Ariton at Zion Chapel

JV-V

(SOCCER)

Northside Methodist at

New Brockton G/B

Friday, March 15

(Baseball)

Dale County at Zion

Chapel V

Geneva at New Brockton

Middle DH

Saturday, March 16

(BASEBALL)

Samson at Elba JV-V

Goshen at Zion Chapel JV

DH

Monday, March 18

(BASEBALL)

Daleville at Elba V

Kinston at Samson JV

Brantley at Florala JV DH

Highland Home at

Brantley V

New Brockton at

Cottonwood V

(SOFTBALL)

Kinston at Houston County

JV-V

Tuesday, March 19

(SOCCER)

New Brockton at Carroll G

(BASEBALL)

Kinston at Elba JV-V

G.W. Long at Zion Chapel

V

Straughn at Brantley V

Providence Ch. at New

Brockton JV DH

(SOFTBALL)

Pike County at Elba JV-V

Kinston at Florala JV-V

Zion Chapel at Highland

Home V

Georgiana at Brantley V

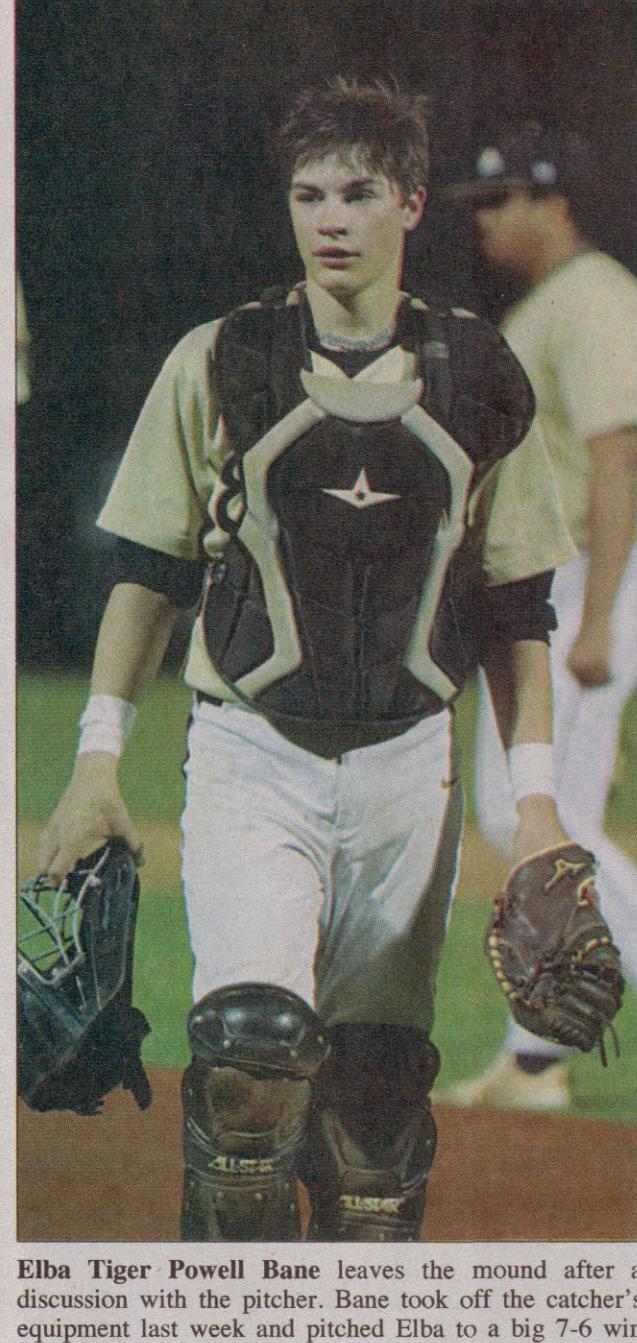
New Brockton at Opp

JV-V

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Elba Tiger Powell Bane leaves the mound after a discussion with the pitcher. Bane took off the catcher's equipment last week and pitched Elba to a big 7-6 win over Zion Chapel.

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Elba Tigers outscored by Brantley Bulldogs 17-7

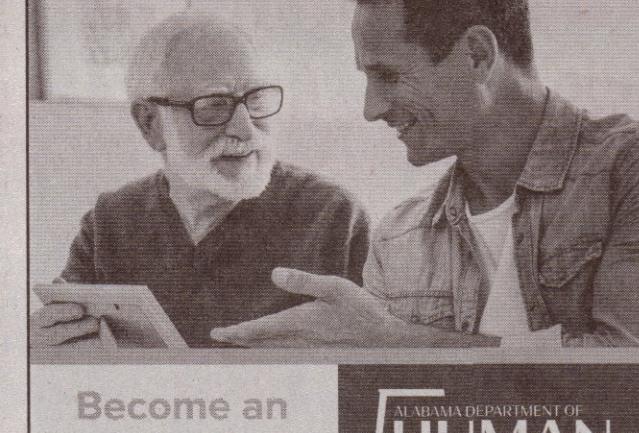
The Elba Tigers saw their season long victory drought continue last Tuesday night in Brantley with a 17-7 loss to the Bulldogs. and the Bulldogs combined the hit with two hit batters, three walks and two Elba errors to take a 14-6 lead.

Brantley's Tyson Grant had an RBI double in the bottom of the first inning to put the Bulldogs on top 1-0, while Kevin Freeman added an RBI single in the second to spark a 3-run uprising as the Bulldogs upped their lead to 4-0.

Elba's Powell Bane and Cameron Gray both received a free pass in the top of the third on a walk and a hit batter, and later came around to score as the Tigers cut the deficit to 4-2. However, the Bulldogs combined a hit batter, three walks and three Elba errors to plate five runs in the bottom of the frame to stretch their lead to 9-2 after three innings.

Brantley's lead grew to 10-2 in the fourth on a sacrifice fly off the bat of Branum, but Elba bounced back in the fifth and plated four runs to pull within 10-6. A leadoff single by Brady Johnson sparked the Tiger rally, as they took advantage of six walks to send four runners across the plate.

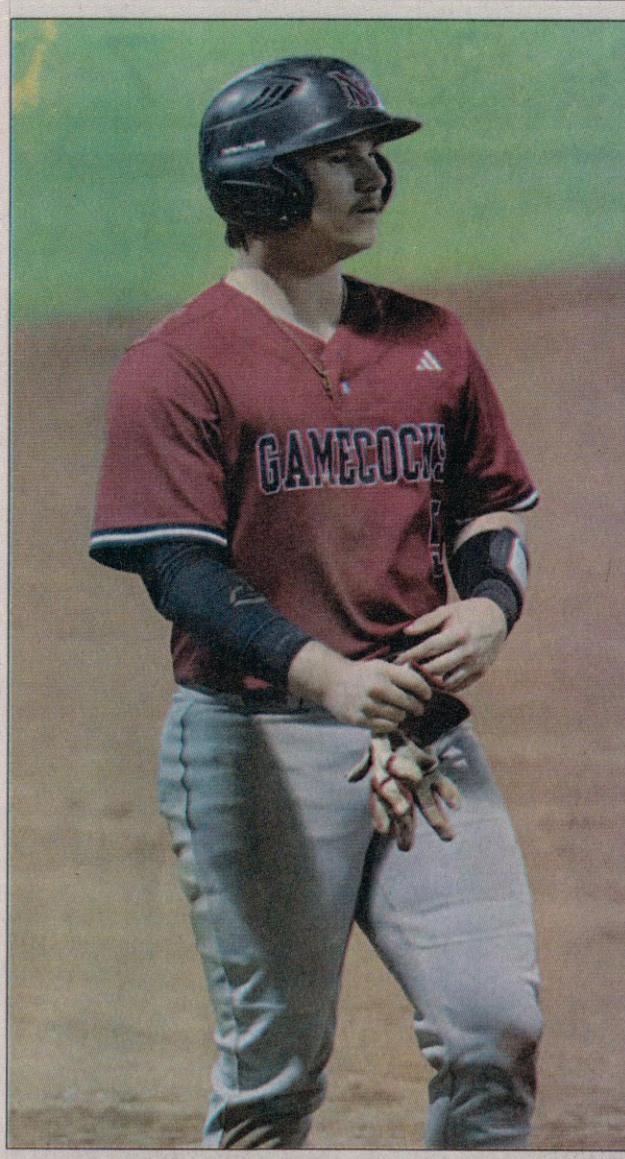
An RBI single by Jon Harper Kilcrease helped Brantley regain command in the bottom of the fifth, and the Bulldogs combined to pitch six innings and allowed seven earned runs on two hits and 12 walks, while striking out nine.



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New Brockton Gamecock Payton Green looks for the sign as he takes a lead off third base.

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Brantley Bulldog Cooper Layton delivers a pitch to the plate in recent baseball action.

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PREP SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

BASEBALL:

New Brockton 9 Carroll 7 – The New Brockton Gamecocks scored two runs in their final at-bat to claim an exciting 9-7 win over Carroll. Hayden Pope had 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Gamecocks, while Dawson Peacock added 2 hits, Blake Peterson added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's, and Payton Green added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Hunter Bedsole, Hunter White and Trent Smith combined to pitch seven innings and allowed two earned runs on six hits and five walks, while striking out seven.

Ariton 11 Zion Chapel JV 1 – The Zion Chapel Rebels fell behind early and never recovered in an 11-1 loss to Ariton. Jonathan Douglas had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead the Rebels, while Trent Elrod added 1 hit and pitched two and one-third innings and allowed four earned runs on five hits and four walks.

Ariton 5 Zion Chapel JV 3 – The Zion Chapel Rebels saw an early 3-0 lead slip away in a 5-3 loss to Ariton. Brody Sheets had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead the Rebels, while Trent Elrod added 1 hit and scored 1 run and Jonathan Douglas added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Gunner Jacobs and Tucker Powell combined to pitch three and one-third innings and allowed four earned runs on two hits and six walks, while striking out five.

Florala 7 Brantley 1 – The Brantley Bulldogs fell behind early and never recovered in a 7-1 loss to Florala. Reese Odom both had 2 hits and Chaz Branum added 1 hit to lead the Bulldogs at the plate, while Cooper Layton, Jayden Parks and Thomas Williamson combined to pitch seven innings and allowed six earned runs on seven hits and 10 walks, while striking out 12.

Brantley JV 10 Florala 0 – The Brantley Bulldogs made it look easy in a 10-0 win over Florala. Hank Johnson had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's to lead Brantley, while Greyson Goodwin added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Colton Searcy added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Kevin Freeman added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. Freeman and Searcy combined to pitch three innings and tossed a no-hitter with seven strikeouts.

Zion Chapel 5 New Brockton 4 – The Zion Chapel Rebels opened up a 4-0 fourth inning lead and held on late to defeat the New Brockton Gamecocks 5-4. Wes Braisted had 2 hits and scored 1 run and Joseph LeGear added 2 hits and 1 rbi to lead the Rebels, while Weston Watson added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Brady Flowers and Austin Jordan combined to pitch seven innings and allowed four earned runs on seven hits, while striking out four. Blake Peterson had 2 hits and 3 rbi's to lead the Gamecocks, while Trent Smith added 2 hits and 1 rbi, and Riley Simmons added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Jacob Fisher and Hunter White pitched six innings and allowed one earned run on six hits, with five strikeouts.

Samson 14 Kinston 8 – The Kinston Bulldogs fell behind 9-0 early and saw a late rally fall short in a 14-8 loss to Samson. Drew Branch had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's to lead Kinston, while Colby Tew added 2 hits and scored 1 run, Brodie Walker added 2 hits and 2 rbi's, and Jon Simmons added 1 hit and 2 rbi's. Cade Jones, Branch and Judd Green combined to pitch seven innings and allowed eight earned runs on 13 hits, while striking out 12.

Opp 5 New Brockton Middle 3 – The New Brockton Gamecocks saw an early 3-1 lead slip away in a 5-3 loss to Opp. David Peacock, Caleb Shipp and Micah Davis all had 1 hit and 1 rbi to lead the Gamecocks, while Peyton Collins added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Peacock pitched four innings and allowed four earned runs on five hits and six walks.

Opp 12 New Brockton Middle 4 – The New Brockton Gamecocks fell behind 10-0 in the second inning and never recovered in a 12-4 loss to Opp. Caleb Shipp and Peyton Collins both had 1 hit to lead New Brockton, while Brayden Fomby added 1 rbi. Nolyn Holland and Fomby combined to pitch four innings and allowed two earned runs on 11 hits and five walks.

New Brockton 14 Daleville 3 – The New Brockton Gamecocks pulled ahead 13-0 in the second inning and coasted in with a 14-3 win over Daleville. Payton Green had 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 5 rbi's to lead the Gamecocks, while Gavin Hand added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's; and, Kyle GaVette added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi. Riley Simmons, Josh Gutierrez and Dalton Holloway combined to pitch five innings and allowed three earned runs on two hits and seven walks, while striking out 12.

New Brockton 15 Daleville 0 – The New Brockton Gamecocks pulled ahead early and pulled away late to blank Daleville 15-0. Blake Peterson had 3 hits, scored 3 runs and had 4 rbi's to lead the Gamecocks, while Payton Green added 3 hits and scored 3 runs, and Jacob Fisher and Gavin Hand both added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi. Hunter White pitched a complete game no-hitter with 10 strikeouts.

Brantley 16 Highland Home 6 – The Brantley Bulldogs used a seven-run sixth inning to take command in a 16-6 win over Highland Home. Jon Harper Kilcrease had 3 hits, scored 3 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead Brantley, while Thomas Williamson added 3 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's; Chaz Branum added 3 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; and, Kevin Freeman added 1 hit and 4 rbi's. Williamson and Branum combined to pitch seven innings and allowed two earned runs on four hits, with 11 strikeouts.

Brantley JV 7 Highland Home 2 – The Brantley Bulldogs led all the way in a 7-2 win over Highland Home. Marcus Everette had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead the Bulldogs,

while Greyson Goodwin added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Colton Searcy added 1 hit and scored 1 run, while pitching a three-inning one-hitter with five strikeouts.

SOFTBALL:

Brantley 19 Georgiana 0 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs used a 17-run first inning to take command and coasted in with a 19-0 win over Georgiana. Anna Little had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead Brantley, while Coco Stamps added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Mary Driggers added 1 hit and had 2 rbi's. Alex Grimes pitched a three inning no-hitter with eight strikeouts.

Brantley 18 Georgiana 0 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs scored 17 runs in the first inning to open up a big lead and rolled to an 18-0 win over Georgiana. Kaitlynn Piggott had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's to lead Brantley, while Savannah Nichols added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi; Marley Kilcrease added 1 hit and scored 2 runs; and, Mary Driggers added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Anna Little pitched a three inning one-hitter with seven strikeouts.

Zion Chapel 5 Kinston 1 – The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels ran their winning streak to 11 games with a 5-1 win over the Kinston Lady Bulldogs. The undefeated Lady Rebels used a 3-run fourth inning to break a scoreless tie and held on to post their fourth win over the Lady Bulldogs this season. Amber Kidd had 2 hits to lead Zion Chapel, while Shea Wambles and Sydney Boothe both added 1 hit and 1 rbi, and Kaylee Hodge added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Boothe was the winning pitcher as she tossed a complete game three-hitter with eight strikeouts. Camdyn Norris had 1 hit and scored 1 run to lead Kinston, while Brynne Kelley added 1 hit and 1 rbi. Lili Sumblin took the loss in the circle as she pitched a complete game seven-hitter and allowed three earned runs, while striking out eight.

Kinston JV 10 Zion Chapel 3 – The Kinston Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead early and pulled away late to down the Zion Chapel Lady Rebels 10-3. River Riley had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston, Aubrey Norris and Adelyn Jarrell both added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Maggie Martin added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 3 rbi's. Adelyn Jarrell pitched four innings and allowed two earned runs on one hit, with nine strikeouts. Taylar Stone had 1 hit and 2 rbi's to lead Zion Chapel, while Landry Hattaway, Caroline Jordan and Mackenzie Warren all scored 1 run. Landry Hattaway pitched three and two-thirds innings and allowed five earned runs on nine hits, with five strikeouts.

Zion Chapel 6 G.W. Long 0 – The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels continued their winning ways with an impressive 6-0 win over G.W. Long. Riley Bannin had 4 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Zion Chapel, while Kaylee Hodge and Yaya Velazquez both added 2 hits and scored 1 run, and Shea Wambles blasted a 2-run home run. Sydney Boothe pitched a seven-inning, two-hit shutout with 11 strikeouts.

Wicksburg 10 Brantley 0 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs managed only one hit in a 10-0 loss to Wicksburg. Hope Richardson had the lone Brantley hit, while Anna Little and Alex Grimes combined to pitch seven innings and allowed eight earned runs on nine hits, with seven strikeouts.

Dale County 12 Brantley 8 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs fell behind 10-0 in the second inning and saw a late rally fall short in a 12-8 loss to Dale County. Anna Little had 2 hits, scored 2 runs and had 1 rbi to lead Brantley, while Kaitlyn Piggott added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Alex Grimes added 2 hits and scored 2 runs. Little and Grimes combined to pitch four innings and allowed nine earned runs on eight hits and four walks.

Brantley 8 Ashford 4 – The Brantley Lady Bulldogs rallied from an early 4-0 deficit to defeat Ashford 8-4. Anna Little had 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead Brantley, while Kennedy Bagget added 2 hits and had 1 rbi, and, Alex Grimes and Kaitlyn Piggott both added 1 hit, scored 2 runs and had 2 rbi's.

Rehobeth 2 Kinston 0 – The Kinston Lady Bulldogs managed only one hit in a 2-0 loss to Rehobeth. Lauren Norris got the lone Lady Bulldog hit and also pitched five innings and allowed one earned run on six hits, with three strikeouts.

Kinston 2 Eufaula 1 – The Kinston Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead early and held on late to defeat Eufaula 2-1. Lilli Sumblin had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead Kinston at the plate, while Lyla Bruce added 1 hit and Madisyn Jones scored 1 run. Sumblin pitched a four inning no-hitter with 12 strikeouts.



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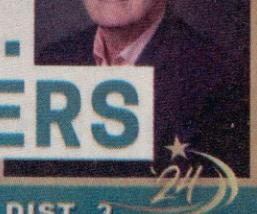
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